

Die-Hard Whig Speech, 3/31/2026

Hello congregation, my name is Whig M. Whig, the Die-Hard Whig. I won't take up much of your time; but as a born son of Kentucky and spiritual successor to my fore-fathers from our fallen Whig party, I feel it is my duty to stand in front of legislature and appeal for our state's future.

With the recent secession of more southern states from our Federal Union, and with tensions rising to near boiling degrees, it is not unreasonable for some among us to have doubts. Perhaps particularly, concern that our position in the Union puts our great state of Kentucky, and its rights, at risk. I put myself up here to dissuade these fears.

As highlighted in the speech made by one Daniel Webster, and upheld by so many Whigs before him, the Constitution is a government of the people, by the people, for the people. Its very creation was incited by an intrinsic need to protect the rights of those who follow its laws. So, to abandon the Union; to reject these ties meant to strengthen our nation- serves only to leave us in a state of vulnerability.

As a border state, we are left uniquely in the center of this conflict. It may feel we are in a precarious position no matter what we choose. And that perhaps the 'Safety' for our ways of life, perhaps provided by seceding, is then the lesser of two evils. But if we secede with our Southern neighbors- is there any guarantee of the safeties and liberties upheld by our very Constitution? If you feel that the Northern states do not respect the rights given to the South by our Federal Government, then do you not feel that the South is doing the very same, at this very moment? Should any government fall and bend to the whims of the states that it sovereigns over a moment of disagreement, or is a government made to unify us, to hold us afloat as we navigate through hardship and strife? And did our founding fathers who set our unified country into motion, not intended for this Union to last eternally- to give us the capability to uphold our own freedoms and our own liberties? I believe all answers are clear. Please, let us not descend into the unknowns of anarchy. Not when the power to protect our rights is already in the palm of our hands. Let us not continue to tear our great nation apart, and do so with our own Kentucky in the center of that tear.

Let us stay with the Union.

Thank you.